

**P-5686UI-C1-1**      **PATENT**  
**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

**RECEIVED**  
**CENTRAL FAX CENTER**  
**OCT 27 2004**

In re patent application of R. Dennis Nesbitt

Serial No.: 09/877,835

Examiner: A. Hunter

Filing Date: June 8, 2001

Group Art Unit: 3711

For: MULTI-CORE, MULTI-LAYER COVER GOLF BALL

Mail Stop AF  
Commissioner for Patents  
P. O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

**APPEAL BRIEF UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 41.37**

This Appeal Brief is in furtherance of the Notice of Appeal that was filed for the above-referenced application on September 10, 2004.

The fees required under § 1.17, and any required petition for extension of time for filing this brief and fees therefor, are dealt with in the accompanying Fee Transmittal.

Appellant files herewith an Appeal Brief in connection with the above-identified application, wherein claims 1 to 9, 11 to 17, 19 and 20 were finally rejected in the Office Action of March 10, 2004. What follows is Appellant's Appeal Brief in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 41.37.

**CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.8**

I hereby certify that this Appeal Brief and the documents referred to as attached therein are being transmitted by facsimile on this date October 27, 2004, to TC3700 at 703-872-9306 addressed to: Mail Stop AF, Attention: Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences, Commissioner for Patents, P. O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

  
Michelle Bugbee

PAGE 3/17 \* RCVD AT 10/27/2004 10:45:09 AM [Eastern Daylight Time] \* SVR:USPTO-EFAXF-1/2 \* DNS:8729306 \* CSID:4133222575 \* DURATION (mm-ss):07-54

11/03/2004 RLL0YD 00000005 170150 09877835

01 FC:1402 340.00 DA